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SPARK PLUG CONNECTOR AND TERMINAL ASSEMBLY THEREFOR

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: EP0530883A2] A spark plug connector (12) for connecting an ignition cable (32) to a recessed contact button (30) of a spark plug (24) comprises a boot assembly (34) and a terminal assembly (36). The boot assembly (34) includes a thermoplastic tubular boot (38) that has an internal suspended terminal support tube (39) and an external arm (42) for securing the spark plug connector (12) to an engine head (14). The boot assembly (34) also includes an insert moulded elastomeric seal (44-48) that provides spark plug and ignition cable seals at the respective ends of the boot (38). The terminal assembly (36) comprises a pin terminal (50), a pin terminal retainer (52) and a coil compression spring (54). The pin terminal retainer (52) includes a sleeve (58) that is disposed in the terminal support tube (39) and a forward latch tang (60) that prevents withdrawal of the terminal assembly (36) from the boot assembly (34). The pin terminal (50) in the sleeve (58) of the pin terminal retainer (52) and an enlarged head (66) that serves as the electrical contact that is pushed forwardly by the compression spring (54) to engage the recessed contact (60) of the spark plug assembly (24). The pin terminal retainer (52) has a rearward latch tang (62) that engages the pin terminal (50) to limit the forward travel of the pin terminal (50) and a ferrule (56) that attaches the pin terminal retainer (52) to an ignition cable (32). <IMAGE>

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